

## CITY OF AMESBURY IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY 0 AUG -3

AMESBURY CITY CLERK

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**An Order** to simplify the process for acceptance and expenditure of grants by the City of Amesbury.

## **Summary:**

MGL Chapter 44 Sections 53A and A ½ outline the legal requirements for a city to accept and expend grants and donations; both require approval of the Mayor and the City Council. In order to simplify this process, while remaining open and transparent about such transactions, it is proposed that such grants and donations under the total amount of \$5,000.00 not require City Council approval prior to acceptance and expenditure, but that the Mayor shall provide a monthly list to the City Council of any such grants or gifts under \$5,000.00.

## Be it Ordered by the City Council of the City of Amesbury assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to approve the acceptance and expenditure of grants and gifts of funds in the amount of \$5,000.00 or less for the purposes of such grant or gift, and to accept gifts of tangible personal property on behalf of the City valued at \$5,000.00 or less, without further City Council approval in each instance, with the proviso that the Mayor shall provide a monthly written list of all such grants and gifts to the City Council.